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	<b>First Named Inventor</b>	Kejser
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**As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:**

My residence, post office address, and citizenship are as stated below next to my name.

I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled:

**Method and Apparatus for Extending the Range of the Universal Serial Bus Protocol**

the specification of which  
☒ is attached hereto  
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I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment specifically referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to patentability as defined in 37 CFR 1.56.

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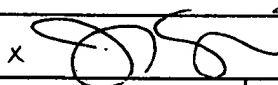
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## DECLARATION

ADDITIONAL INVENTOR(S)  
Supplemental Sheet  
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## DECLARATION — Utility or Design Patent Application

I hereby claim the benefit under 35 U.S.C. 120 of any United States application(s), or 365(c) of any PCT international application designating the United States of America, listed below and, insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of this application is not disclosed in the prior United States or PCT International application in the manner provided by the first paragraph of 35 U.S.C. 112, I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to patentability as defined in 37 CFR 1.56 which became available between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT international filing date of this application.

U.S. Parent Application or PCT Parent Number	Parent Filing Date (MM/DD/YYYY)	Parent Patent Number (if applicable)

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As a named inventor, I hereby appoint the following registered practitioner(s) to prosecute this application and to transact all business in the Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith:

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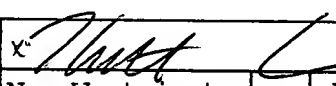
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I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under 18 U.S.C. 1001 and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

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ASSIGNMENT

For good and valuable consideration, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged,  
ASSIGNOR(S),

(1) <u>Keith KEJSER</u>	(4) _____
(2) <u>Juraj KRAJCI</u>	(5) _____
(3) _____	(6) _____

hereby sells, assigns and transfers to ASSIGNEE,

ICRON SYSTEMS INC. , whose full post office address is 1673 Cliveden Ave.  
Delta, British Columbia, Canada, V3M 6M6,

and the successors, assigns and legal representatives of the ASSIGNEE, the entire right, title and interest for the United States of America as defined in 35 U.S.C. 100, and all foreign countries thereto, in and to, any and all improvements which are disclosed in the invention entitled:

“Method and Apparatus for Extending the Range of the Universal Serial Bus  
Protocol”

and which is found in

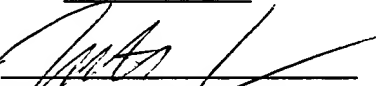
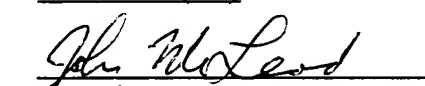
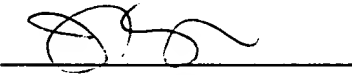

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- (b) \_\_\_\_\_ U.S. patent application executed on \_\_\_\_\_;
- (c) \_\_\_\_\_ U.S. patent application serial no. \_\_\_\_\_  
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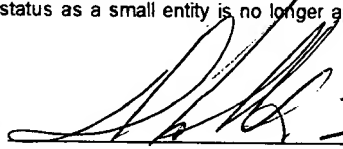

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Signed on the date(s) indicated beside our signature(s).

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<b>STATEMENT CLAIMING SMALL ENTITY STATUS</b> <b>(37 CFR 1.9(f) &amp; 1.27(c))--SMALL BUSINESS CONCERN</b>		Docket Number (Optional) <b>SL2036</b>
<p>Applicant, Patentee, or Identifier: <u>ICRON SYSTEMS INC.</u></p> <p>Application or Patent No.: _____</p> <p>Filed or Issued: _____</p> <p>Title: <u>Method and Apparatus for Extending the Range....</u></p>		
<p>I hereby state that I am</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> the owner of the small business concern identified below.</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> an official of the small business concern empowered to act on behalf of the concern identified below.</p>		
<p>NAME OF SMALL BUSINESS CONCERN <u>ICRON SYSTEMS INC.</u></p>		
<p>ADDRESS OF SMALL BUSINESS CONCERN <u>1673 Cliveden Ave., Delta, B.C.</u> <u>Canada V3M 6M6</u></p>		
<p>I hereby state that the above identified small business concern qualifies as a small business concern as defined in 13 CFR Part 121 for purposes of paying reduced fees to the United States Patent and Trademark Office. Questions related to size standards for a small business concern may be directed to: Small Business Administration, Size Standards Staff, 409 Third Street, SW, Washington, DC 20416.</p>		
<p>I hereby state that rights under contract or law have been conveyed to and remain with the small business concern identified above with regard to the invention described in:</p>		
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